

Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A contact lens carrying case which is discarded[[,]] once the seal on a housing area that houses contact lens is broken and the contact lens is removed from the housing area, the contact lens carrying case comprising:

a contact lens case main unit that includes a housing unit comprising housing areas that include concavities arranged to house contact lenses, and including cover units that seal the lenses in the housing areas when the cover units are mounted to the housing unit; and

a resealing prevention feature that prevents each housing area from being resealed by the cover unit, once the housing area is no longer in a sealed state,

wherein the resealing prevention feature prevents each housing area from being resealed by the cover unit by irreversibly changing the configuration of the case main unit when the sealed state is lost, wherein said irreversible change in the configuration of said case main unit is caused by the detachment of a portion of members comprising a part of said case main unit, said irreversible change comprising at least one of,

a) detachment of the members from the cover unit such that a portion of the members remain in a portion of the case main unit other than the cover unit; or

b) detachment of the members from the housing unit such that a portion of the members remain in a portion of the case main unit other than the housing unit.

Claim 2 (Original): The contact lens carrying case according to claim 1, wherein said irreversible change in the configuration of said case main unit is caused by the detachment of a part of the members comprising each of said case main unit from the cover unit or/and the housing unit.

Claim 3 (Original): The contact lens carrying case according to claim 1, wherein the part of the members that detach from said cover unit remains in part of the case main unit other than the cover unit.

Claim 4 (Original): The contact lens carrying case according to claim 1, wherein the part of the members that detach from said housing unit remains in part of the case main unit other than the housing unit.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The contact lens carrying case according to claim 1, wherein said housing unit includes a first housing area that houses a ~~[[the]]~~ contact lens for the left eye and a second housing area that houses a ~~[[the]]~~ contact lens for the right eye, as said housing area.

Claim 6 (Original): The contact lens carrying case according to claim 5, wherein both the first housing area and the second housing area are sealed using a single cover unit.

Claim 7 (Previously Presented): The contact lens carrying case according to claim 1, wherein said cover unit seals the housing area by engaging with the housing unit, and said resealing prevention feature constitutes a means for preventing the resealing of the housing area via the cover unit by irreversibly changing the configuration of at least one of the cover unit and the housing unit when the cover unit and the housing unit are no longer engaged.

Claim 8 (Previously Presented): The contact lens carrying case according to claim 1, wherein a clamping unit that clamps together the housing unit and the cover unit is used as means for maintaining the housing area in a sealed state, and the resealing prevention feature constitutes a means for preventing resealing of the housing area by irreversibly changing the configuration of the clamping unit and at least one of the cover unit and the housing unit when the clamping unit is no longer in the clamped position.

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): A disposable contact lens carrying case comprising:
a case main unit including a cover unit and housing areas, the housing areas having concavities arranged to house contact lenses, and the cover unit arranged so that the cover unit seals the lenses in the concavities of the housing areas when the cover unit is mounted to the housing areas;

a resealing prevention feature that prevents each housing area from being resealed by the cover unit once the seal of a housing area has been broken and is no longer in a sealed state,

wherein the resealing prevention feature prevents each housing area from being resealed by the cover unit by irreversibly changing the configuration of the case main unit when the sealed state is lost, wherein said irreversible change in the configuration of said case main unit is caused by the detachment of a portion of members comprising a part of said case main unit, said irreversible change comprising at least one of,

a) detachment of the members from the cover unit such that a portion of the members remain in a portion of the case main unit other than the cover unit; or

b) detachment of the members from the housing area such that a portion of the members remain in a portion of the case main unit other than the housing area.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The contact lens carrying case according to claim 1, wherein said housing unit includes a set of contact lenses stored therein and includes a first housing area that houses a contact lens for the left eye and a second housing area that houses a contact lens for the right eye, as said housing area.